



October 1 will be a day to “Yuda Nos Yuda Nan!”

The Casa Cuna Center in Pos Chiquito is preparing for their Golden Jubilee anniversary in April, but before that date they are seeking to raise funds to repair the facility and purchase new transportation. Casa Cuna raises children from infancy to six years from broken and troubled homes. A recent documentary was a testament to their important work, particularly by many noted alumni of the center that have gone to great accomplishment.

Now Director Charisse Hoen-Daly and the staff of Casa Cuna are asking Aruba to make the call that will help the center continue with a radio telethon and feria that will take place on Sunday, October 1 in the Plaza Betico Croes behind the Cas di Cultura. This promises to be a terrific day for all the family, with children's entertainment donated by Party Animals, and a special visit from Ronald McDonald, as McDonald's is a major sponsor of the event, and where it was announced on Wednesday afternoon.

A number of vendors and groups are rallying to this cause to provide a flea market, food stands, and of a full day of music and entertainment for the entire family. Food stalls from Tony Roma's Nos Cunucu and Wong Shung Wong restaurant will offer a variety of cuisine, as will the chefs of the EPI Hospitality Management Unit. The flea market will offer bargains on goods donated by Cura Cabai, Fantastic Gardens, Compra N.V., Satex N.V. La Linda, Giselle, Bon Bini Bazaar and others. Game Masters has organized a car rally, and there will be a raffle held for gift certificates to the Radisson Resort, art work donated by some of Aruba's most noted artists, and cellular phones from SETAR N.V.

Entertainment will include the dance groups Timbiriche, Lolipop and the Pachanga Dance School, and top bands such as Aom, Perfect Sound, Zarao La Banda, Richochet, Blad and Le Groove will make sure the beat goes on all day long. Other attractions will include a celebrity dunking pool, and many surprises throughout the day.

This fun day of fund raising begins at 9:00 AM lasting until 6:00 PM, and telephone pledges will continue until 9:00 PM. The phone number for pledging a donation is 588-5050, or donations can be made directly to Aruba Bank account 10.01.06.05, CMB account 505.050.50 and RBTT 30.38.963.

Casa Cuna has been a vital part of the Aruban community for nearly fifty years, and Charisse Hoen-Daly revealed that they need to raise 150,000 Arubian florins to make the necessary repairs to the center and acquire a new vehicle. They ask all of Aruba to join them in this effort and have a great day as in providing the funds they need to help the helpless. “Help us help them” is their slogan, “Yuda Nos, Yuda Nan!” and have fun too on October 1!